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SUBJECT: AID TO LDC'S. POLICY ON VARIOUS INTERNATIONAL FORUMS

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1. EMBASSY INFORMED STAFFAN SOHLMAN, MFA, HEAD OF MULTILATERAL ASSISTANCE, JUNE 27 OF U.S. POSITION WITH RESPECT TO PROCEDURES FOR ASSISTING MOST SERIOUSLY AFFECTED COUNTRIES. SOHLMAN HAD NO SUBSTANTIVE COMMENT TO MAKE AT THAT TIME.

2. REAPPROACHED ON THE SUBJECT JULY 8, SOHLMAN SAID  
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SPEECH GIVEN BY MINISTER GERTRUD SIGURDSEN BEFORE

ECOSC, GENEVA, JULY 5, SET OUT SWEDISH POSITION.  
PRESS RELEASE ISSUED BY MFA JULY 5 REPORTING SPEECH,  
SHOWS THAT SWEDEN WILL SUPPORT UN SPECIAL FUND AND MAKES  
NO OBJECTION TO UN MANAGEMENT OF THIS OR OTHER FUNDS.  
RELEASE RAISES QUESTION ABOUT EXTENT TO WHICH SWEDEN WILL  
BE WILLING TO PARTICIPATE IN OTHER FUNDS TO AID MOST  
SERIOUSLY AFFECTED COUNTRIES.

3. FOLLOWING IS EMBASSY'S TRANSLATION OF EXCERPTS  
FROM PRESS RELEASE REPORTING SIGURDSEN SPEECH:

A. UN HAS A UNIQUE POSSIBILITY OF TAKING LEAD IN  
EFFORTS TO CREATE A MORE JUST AND EQUAL ECONOMIC ORDER  
IN THE WORLD ... FIRST AND IMMEDIATE BUSINESS IS TO  
PROMOTE EFFECTIVE AND PROMPT CONTRIBUTIONS TO AID  
UNDERDEVELOPED COUNTRIES HARDEST HIT BY INCREASES IN  
INTERNATIONAL PRICES FOR OIL AND FOOD. THIS URGENT  
BUSINESS MUST BE CARRIED THROUGH BY MEANS OF ACTIVE  
COOPERATION AMONG ALL POSSIBLE DONORS, BOTH INDUSTRIAL  
COUNTRIES AND OTHERS, SO THAT IMMEDIATE NEEDS OF UNDER-  
DEVELOPED COUNTRIES CAN BE MET. IN RESPONSE TO MORE LONG-  
TERM NEED, THE FUND, DECIDED UPON BY THE UN SPECIAL  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY, MUST BE PUT INTO OPERATION.

B. ... IN RESPONSE TO APPEAL FROM UN SECRETARY  
GENERAL FOR HELP FOR MSA UNDERDEVELOPED COUNTRIES,  
SWEDEN HAS ALREADY EARMARKED SKR 90 MILLION (\$20.5 MILLION  
AT CURRENT EXCHANGE RATE). SWEDISH GOVERNMENT IS ALSO  
READY PROMPTLY TO SET ASIDE RESOURCES FOR SPECIAL FUND AS  
SOON AS AGREEMENT EXISTS ON THIS MATTER WITHIN UN.

C. UN GENERAL ASSEMBLY THIS SPRING WAS NOTABLE FOR  
DEMANDS OF UNDERDEVELOPED COUNTRIES FOR INFLUENCE AND  
EQUALITY IN MATTERS OF INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION. AT  
SAME TIME, HOWEVER, A TENDENCY HAS BEEN OBSERVED TO PLACE  
A GREATER PART OF DISCUSSION OF INTERNATIONAL AID QUESTIONS  
WITHIN ORGANIZATIONS WHERE BIGGER INDUSTRIAL COUNTRIES  
HAVE A DOMINATING INFLUENCE. MINISTER SIGURDSEN WARNED  
ABOUT THIS DEVELOPMENT WHICH GOES CONTRARY TO DECISION  
OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY. THE LATTER MUST NOW LEAD TO CONCRETE  
RESULTS WITHIN FRUITS OF THE WORLD ORGANIZATIONS.

D. SWEDEN HAS WORKED FOR MANY YEARS IN BEHALF OF  
INCREASED INFLUENCE OF UNDERDEVELOPED COUNTRIES IN  
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INTERNATIONAL AID ORGANIZATIONS, SAID MRS. SIGURDSEN. SHE  
EXPRESSED HOPE THAT SPECIAL FUND WOULD BE TRUE EXPRESSION  
OF PRINCIPLE OF INCREASED INFLUENCE FOR UNDERDEVELOPED  
COUNTRIES WITH RESPECT TO VOTING RIGHTS, ORGANIZATION,  
AND BORROWING TERMS. SHE STRESSED ALSO IMPORTANCE OF  
COORDINATION AMONG ALREADY EXISTING INTERNATIONAL AID  
ORGANIZATIONS AND THE FUND. JOHNSON

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